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PIERCE *et al.*

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Rotamer Optimization
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 23, 2004. The response is timely filed on or before the due date of May 23, 2004, with a Petition for a one month extension of time and the necessary fees. Although Applicants do not believe any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees which may be required, including extension fees or any other relief that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Our Order No. 468488-153 (A-70365-1/RFT/RMS/RMK)).

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